Applicant hereby elects to prosecute claims 16-27, 28-37, 38-43, and 65 (Group II).

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and issuance of the subject application. Should any matter in this case remain unresolved, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests a telephone conference with the Examiner to resolve any such outstanding matter.

Respectfully Submitted,

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